

1882-037 Chancery Causes: James R. Lee vs. John Chadwell + wife &  
Lee Co.

Lilford, Hatfield, Minton, Yearry, Martin, Thomas, Ely

CA Estate Dispute  
T-Property

-Deed



To The Honorable John A. Kelly Judge of  
The Circuit Court of Lee County Va  
Your orator James R. Lee humbly com-  
plaining sheweth unto your Hon. That one  
David Minton late of this County now deceased  
was at the time of his death, the owner in  
fee, of two adjacent tracts of land, one  
containing 45 acres and the other 50, both situated  
in this County near Walnut Hill past office  
and known as the Jacob Brown land. At the  
time of said Minton's death the said lands  
descended to his children and heirs at law  
eight in number. viz:

1 John Minton  
2 Herrod Minton, 3 Crockett Minton  
4 Jonathan Minton 5 Sarah Chadwell  
wife of John Chadwell, 6 Ann S. Lafford  
wife of Eliah Lifford, 7 Rebecca Thomas, wife  
of ~~Charles~~ <sup>William</sup> Hatfield wife of W. H. Hatfield  
of Thomas & Nancy Minton the last of  
whom is under 21 years of age. Your orator  
has purchased and has conveyances for the  
undivided shares of Herrod<sup>1</sup> Minton, John<sup>2</sup> Minton  
Crockett<sup>3</sup> Minton and Jonathan<sup>4</sup> Minton  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the  
whole two tracts, the husband of Rebecca Thomas  
is also dead without heirs. One Adam C  
yeor is in possession of a part of said  
land under some claim not known fully  
to your orator, at all events he exercises



acts of ownership and has laid off and assigned to himself such portion as he conceives himself entitled to, and is removing the fencing using the rents or profits, and otherwise damaging the premises.

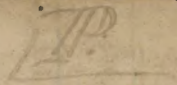
Thus it will be seen your orator is entitled to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of said tracts of land, and owing to its peculiar situation in reference to water timber &c. your orator alleges the same is too small for division and ought to be sold and the proceeds of sale partitioned among those entitled. But if your orator is mistaken as to this, then he is advised he is entitled to partition of the same for which he prays. To this end he prays that John Chadwell, Sarah Chadwell his wife Elias Leford Ann Leford his wife ~~Rebecca~~ ~~Thomas~~ G. W. Hatfield, and Catharine Hatfield his wife, Nancy Minton and Adam C. Geary be made parties defendant, to this bill and answer it, allegations upon oath, and upon a hearing a decree be rendered directing the said two tracts of land to be sold and the proceeds partitioned amongst those entitled, or if deemed more advisable by the Court, that same be partitioned among those entitled thereto, and that Adam C. Geary account for the rents or profits



received by him, and that he show by  
what claim or title he holds the same  
law for all other further general  
chief may supra issue.

A. L. Pridmore  
for Plff.



  
James R. Lee

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A 15.00  
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vs. Bill Chy

Adam C. Goory et al

1881 July Bill filed by Adam C. Goory et al.  
D. P. vs. James R. Lee & Co. et al.  
Aug. D. P. vs. James R. Lee & Co. et al.  
vs. Deft. Goory Set for  
hearing by Plff.

1881 Aug 25. Two of Deft. Goory  
filed. contd.

1882 March Decree & Contd.

" Aug. Decree & Contd.

" Nov. Decree by Plff.

Must be paid by amendment of  
the bill to admit the bill of sale.



To the Hon. John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit  
Court of Lee County Virginia

The Separate answer of Adam B. Geary to a  
bill filed in this honorable court against him and others  
by James R. Lee would respectfully show unto your Honor

First that the plaintiffs bill is not sufficient in law for  
him to have and maintain the same and he demurs thereto  
and on this his demurrer he prays the judgment of the court

And if any <sup>other</sup> or <sup>answer</sup> further is required this respondent answering  
says that he supposes it is true that David Minton at  
the time of his death was at least the equitable owner  
of the 45 and 50 acre tracts of land in the plaintiffs bill  
mentioned and that they lay adjoining and contiguous to each  
other, and that such title or interest as the said David owned  
at his death, descended to his heirs at law who are correctly  
set out by the plaintiff in his bill. But the plaintiff is  
mistaken when he says that said two pieces of land are  
known as the Jacob Brown land for they never at any time  
belonged to said Jacob Brown but they do adjoin land once  
owned by him. The 45 acre tract constituted a part of a  
larger tract of land once owned by William Brown the father of  
said Jacob Brown. And in the partition of the land of said Wm.  
Brown among his heirs at law said 45 acre tract was assigned  
to Sarah Brown a daughter of said William and a sister to said  
Jacob. and the wife of one John Brown as and for her portion  
of the said William Browns real estate, and this share



thus laid off and assigned to John Brown wife adjins  
the share laid off and assigned to the said Jacob Brown.

After said assignment was made to said John Brown wife  
as just stated, they sold said 45 acres to said David Minton  
and as this respondent is informed conveyed the same to  
him by proper deed, but this deed has not been recorded  
as respondent is informed. As to the 50 acre tract, re-  
spondent states that it was patented from the Commonwealth of  
Virginia by one G. B. Stark. who sold and conveyed the same  
to one Jesse B. Rowlett, and he sold and conveyed the same  
to one Luther R. Rowlett, and the latter sold but did not convey  
the same to one Thomas Rowlett, and he sold, but did not  
and could not convey the same to said David Minton, This re-  
spondent is informed that said Thomas Rowlett has paid the  
purchase money in full to said Luther R. Rowlett, and that  
said David Minton had paid or nearly paid the purchase  
price thereof to said Thomas Rowlett, but in neither instance  
was a bond given for a title search as respondent is informed.

From this statement of facts your Honor will see that the  
title to said 50 acre tract is yet in said Luther R. Rowlett.

For a number of years after the death of said David Minton  
said 50 acre tract of land stood charged on the land books of the  
county in the name of said L. R. Rowlett who was compelled  
to pay the taxes assessed thereon, although said David Minton



while he lived and his heirs after his death had been in the free and undisputed possession thereof, and receiving the entire rents and profits all the while, and when at a subsequent time the heirs of said David Minton called on said L. R. Rowlett for a title to said 50 acre tract, he refused to make them a title, until they would assent to him the taxes which he had paid on said land during this intervening period. The said heirs not having the money with which to pay said taxes, John Minton an heir of said David with the consent and approbation of his brothers and sisters undertook to and did sell to one W. Geary about 6 or 7 acres of said land, and to one A. J. Geary a like quantity adjoining the first making some 12 or 14 acres thus sold out of said 50 acre tract. Respondent states that these sales were made for the purpose among others of raising the money with which to pay of said taxes and the same being paid to said Luther R. Rowlett he by the direction of said John Minton and the other heirs at law of said <sup>David</sup> Minton conveyed by proper deeds said 12 or 14 acres of land to said William and A. J. Geary and the deeds showing this fact are herewith filed as a part of this answer marked (A, & B)

Respondent now states, that sometime after said conveyances were made he purchased from said W. & A. J. Geary said 12 or 14 acres of land and they have conveyed to him the same as will fully appear by the original deed herewith filed as a further part of this answer marked, (C)



Respondent is advised that his title to the land covered by said several deeds is good against the world, and he sets up no claim or interest whatever to any other part or parcel of either of said tracts. These facts the Peff did know, or ought to have known, and might have known by the use of ordinary diligence. After said purchase your respondent took possession of said 12 or 14 acres of land and has used and occupied it as his property which he had a legal right to do without asking or consulting the Peff or any one else. Respondent further states that he has not used or occupied in any way one inch of either of said tracts, outside of said 12 or 14 acres nor has he ever received a farthing in the way of rents and profits, nor has he used or cut a single stick of timber on either of said tracts of land outside of his said purchase, and this the plaintiff well knew when he made his sweeping and groundless charges in relation to these several matters.

As to the removal of fences of which the Peff complains Respondent will now show how that was, Respondent is the owner of the lot of land assigned to said Jacob Brown and as before stated said 45 were tract adjoining the same being an adjacent lot thereto, and some years ago there was on the line separating the two pieces a partnership fence and some years ago this partnership fence was about half burned up, and the residue so shackled as to be worthless



for the purpose of turning stock and protecting crops and  
to remedy this evil, Respondent more than once proposed  
to Peff to join together and to build a good fence on the line  
between them, and in doing so to use the old rails as far as  
they could go, but the Peff steadily refused to do so. Respondent  
then determined and did build a fence on his own land and  
near the line and in doing so used only one half of said  
old rails as he will be able to show by witnesses <sup>aided</sup> who <sub>n</sub> him  
in counting said rails. And moreover respondent did  
not use said old rails until after he had procured the  
consent of a part of the heirs at law of said David McIntire  
to such removal, as will appear by a paper herewith filed  
marked (D) But in the absence of such consent respondent  
is advised that one half of said old rails were his according  
to the very right of the case by the view of the land.

Respondent knows nothing as to the interest which the Peff  
claims in said two pieces of land, nor is he interested one way  
or the other, whether the same be sold or partitioned and  
not being interested therein further than inasmuch as he has  
no disposition to meddle in that which does not concern him.

Respondent having now answered as fully as is deemed  
necessary, prays that he be decreed said 12 or 14 acres of land, and  
quieted in the possession thereof. That Peffs bill be dismissed  
as to him and a decree in respondent's favor against the Peff  
for costs.

Angus & Morgan for  
A. C. Gracey



I do solemnly swear that the statements made in the foregoing answer so far as made on my own knowledge are true, and so far as made on information derived from others I believe them to be true So help me god

A. W. G. Young

Sworn to & Subscribed before me by A. W. G. Young

Henry J. Morganhout

Augt 22 1881

Adams Co. Georgia

Ans. }  
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James C. Lee

Record of the Court

1881, J. A. L. Wyatt

Let M.



James R Lee      Poff  
vs.      } In Chancery  
Adam C Seary & al Defts.

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill of the Poff. And the Answer of the defendant Adam C Seary, and exhibits hereunto and the replication thereto and was argued by counsel. And therefore the Poff by his counsel declines to controvert the said Adam C Searys right, to take and hold the 12 & 1/4 acres of land in his said Answer and exhibits mentioned and described, and agrees that his said bill as to the said Adam C Seary, may be dismissed without cost.

It is therefore adjudged ordered and decreed that the said Adam C Seary, take and hold the said land in his answer and exhibits mentioned, and that the Poffs bill be dismissed as to the said Adam C Seary but the said Poff may proceed with his said bill as to the other parties thereto. & the cause is continued.



Jul. R. Lee

vs. { Adams

Adams Co. Geary cal

Entered Page 271.

J. A. Hyatt  
Clerk

Enter this.

In "A. L.

Sept 1712



James R. Lee - - - - - plff } In chcy.  
                    against

Adam L. Geary et al. def

This cause came on this day to be heard upon the bill and exhibits filed the answer of Adam L. Geary and replication thereto and was argued by Counsel, and it appearing from said answer that there were facts mentioned by proper to be considered by the Court, leave is granted the plff, to so amend his bill, as to embrace said newly discovered facts. And the cause is continued.



James R. Lee.

W. Z. Decree

Adam C. Geary et al

March 5. 1882

Entered Page 247  
J. H. H. H. H.  
H. H. H. H.

Enter this  
decree April 3/82  
In N. H.



James R. Lee

Plff

vs.

Adam B. Young & al Defts

In Chancery

Jonathan Minton one of the defts in this cause being sworn says that any deed bond or other written instrument which he may have executed to the Plff for his share of the land in the bill mentioned, was executed by him while he was a minor, and he is still a minor, from the best <sup>information</sup> ~~information~~ he can get of his age and he intends at the proper time to endeavor to void the same and he hereby notifies the Plff of his intention to seek to have such written instrument set aside.

To the Truth of these Statements I do Solemnly Swear so  
help me God.

Jonathan <sup>his</sup> Minton  
Mint

Sworn to before me this 25 day of Aug 1881.

H. J. Morgan Clerk



Jonathan Winter

ado {affidavit

James H. Lee

Filed Aug 25 '88

J. A. Hyatt  
clerk



For County Court  
This day Thomas S. Eby personally appeared  
before me and made oath, that he is in-  
formed & believing that John Chadwell, Sarah  
Chadwell, his wife Eliza Leford Ann Leford his  
wife J. H. Hatfield Catherine Hatfield his wife &  
Mency Minton ~~and several~~ are non-residents  
of the Commonwealth of Virginia -  
Given under my hand this July 4<sup>th</sup>,  
1881. Dr H. H. Heath clerk



James R. Lee

W. B. Affiant  
John Churchill



Wm C. Geary  
From Deed?

L. R. Rowlett wife

Recorded in Deed Book  
Vol 19 Page 4184/4.

Test J. R. Gibson att.

(A)



This Indenture made & Entered into his the  
Twenty Seventh Day of February 1878. Between L.R.  
Rowlett <sup>& wife</sup> of the first part & Wm E yeary of the  
second part both of the county of Lee & state of Virginia  
witnesseth that the said L.R. Rowlett of the first  
part this day Bargained and sold and by these  
presents doth grant Bargain sell & convey unto  
the said Wm E yeary of the second part a certain  
tract or parcel of land lying in the county of Lee  
and state of Virginia adjoining the Lands of John  
Brown & David Minton's heirs & others for and in  
consideration of the sum of thirty five dollars  
to them in hand paid by the said Wm E yeary the  
Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and Bounded  
and Described as follows to wit Beginning  
on a Dogwood & sourwood in Wm E yearys line  
thence Northwardly <sup>60 poles</sup> to a white oak tree thence west  
with John Browns line <sup>to 60 poles</sup> to a white oak stump near  
a Spring thence Eastwardly <sup>20 poles</sup> to the Beginning  
& with all its appertinances <sup>containing the estate of 6 acres more or less</sup> there unto belonging to  
the sole use and behoof of the said Wm E yeary & his heirs  
and assigns forever and we the said L.R. Rowlett & wife  
do Covenant with and bind our selves & our heirs  
and Lawfull assigns to for Ever warrant and defend  
the above title against the just claims claims of any  
and all others either in Law or Equity Given under  
our hands and seals the Day and date first  
above written

at test

L R Rowlett seal  
Rebecca Rowlett seal







This Deed made this August 3<sup>th</sup> 1881 by  
and between E. R. Roulett and Rebecca his  
wife of the first part of the county of Lee and  
state of Virginia, and Adam T. Yeary of  
the county of Hancock state of Tennessee of the  
second part witnesseth that The said E.  
R. Roulett hath bargained and sold and  
by these presents doth grant bargain sell  
and convey unto The said Adam T. Yeary  
A certain tract or parcel of land lying in  
the county of Lee and state of Virginia adjoining  
the Lands of John Brown and David Minters  
heirs and others for and in consideration of the sum  
of thirty five dollars to them in hand paid by the  
by the said Adam T. Yeary the Receipt whereof is  
hereby acknowledged and bounded as follows to wit  
beginning on A white oak in Browns line running north  
& west 27 poles to A Double sourwood thence north 80  
west 26 poles to A white oak stump in Brown and  
shorts line thence south & west 35 poles to A dogwood  
in the original line thence south 85 East 29 poles the  
beginning containing 8 acres be the same more or  
less with all its appurtenances thereunto belonging to ~~be~~ sole



use and behoof of the said Adam S yeary and  
his heirs and assigns forever we the said L R Roulett  
and Rebecca his wife doth covenant to and with the  
said Adam S yeary and bind ourselves and our  
heirs and our Lawfull assigns to forever warrant  
and Defend the above title against the Just  
Claims of all persons Either in law or Equity in  
Testimony whereof we hereunto set our hands and  
seals the day and date first above written

L R Roulett <sup>Seal</sup>

Rebecca <sup>Seal</sup>

The above Deed is made in Liew of A Deed that  
was made to the same Land to the same  
party By the said Roulett and has been  
misplaced and Did not go to record the former  
Deed was Dated February 27<sup>th</sup> 1878

Virginia Lee County Court

J E H Daniel an acting Justice of the peace  
in and for the said county and state aforesaid do certify  
that L R Roulett whose name is signed to the foregoing  
Deed bearing date on the 3<sup>th</sup> day of August 1881 came  
personally before me in my county and acknowledged the  
same to be his act and Deed given under my hand this  
the 5 day of August 1881

E. H Daniel J.P.



Virginia, Lee County to wit

we E. H. Daniel and H. R. Edmonson Both acting  
Justices of the peace in the county and state aforesaid  
do certify that Rebecca Roulett ~~the wife~~ of L. R. Roulett  
whose name is signed to the foregoing Deed bearing  
date on the 3<sup>th</sup> day of August 1881 came personally  
before us in our county and after being Examined  
by us privately and apart from her husband and having  
the Deed fully Explained to her she the said Rebecca  
Roulett acknowledged the same to be her act and  
Declared that she had willingly Executed the same  
and does not wish to retract it given under  
our hands this August the 5<sup>th</sup> day 1881

E. H. Daniel

J. P.

H. R. Edmonson

J. P.

Virginia Lee County Court Clerk Office Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1881

The foregoing Deed bearing date Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> 1881

given by L. R. Roulett of the County of Lee to the

County of Lee and State of Virginia to wit

the undersigned the undersigned of the County of Lee

and State of Virginia do hereby certify that

the foregoing Deed is a true and correct copy

of the original Deed as the same appears in the

records of the County of Lee and State of Virginia



Adam J. George

From } Deed

Luther B. Rowlett & Co. &c

(B)



Virginia Lee county to wit

we E. H. Daniel and F. R. Edmonson both acting  
Justices of the peace in the said county and state aforesaid  
do certify that Martha E. Egeary the wife of ~~Wm~~ Egeary  
and Catharine Egeary the wife of Adam E. Egeary whose  
names is signed to the foregoing Deed bearing date on the  
8<sup>th</sup> day of August 1881 came personally before us in our  
county and after being Examined by us privily and  
apart from their husbands and having the Deed fully  
Explained to them they the said Martha Egeary  
the wife of ~~Wm~~ Egeary and Catharine Egeary  
the wife of Adam E. Egeary acknowledged the same  
to be their act and Declared that they had willingly  
Executed the same and does not wish to retract  
it given under our hands this August the 8<sup>th</sup> day 1881

E. H. Daniel J.P.  
F. R. Edmonson J.P.



South 85 East 29 poles To the beginning containing  
Twelve acres be the same more or less the party of  
first part doth covenant to and with the party  
of the second part and bind themselves their heirs  
& To forever warrant and Defend the title to the  
<sup>above</sup> named tract or tracts of land with all its appert  
ances thereto belonging the party of the first  
part binds themselves to forever warrant the above  
named title against the ~~Best~~ Claims of all  
persons Either in Law or Equity in Testimony  
whereof we have hereunto set our hands and  
seals day and date first above written

William E. Jeary <sup>seal</sup>

Marthene Jeary <sup>seal</sup>

Adam <sup>his</sup> Jeary <sup>seal</sup>

1 Cathern <sup>marks</sup> Jeary <sup>seal</sup>

Virginia Lee County To wit

I E. H. Daniel an acting Justice  
of the peace in and for the county and state aforesaid  
do certify that Wm E Jeary and Adam J Jeary whose  
names is signed to the foregoing Deed bearing date  
on the 3<sup>th</sup> day of August 1881 personally appeared  
before me in my county and acknowledged the same  
to be their act and Deed given under my hand  
August The 5 day 1881  
E. H. Daniel J P



Adam C. Geary

From } Reed  
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Wm. A. J. Geary & Co

Providence, R. I.

March 10, 1858

My dear Sir

(6)



Know all men by These presents that we  
John Minton and Adam Young do agree  
to divide a line fence between us and each  
one have leave his part of the rails and  
others This February 28<sup>th</sup> 1851

John H. Chadwell  
John Minton  
Chas. Lifford

John Brown Nancy Minton  
Georg A. H. Rees  
Her so



Exhibit D. with  
H. C. Geary's answer

(20)



Virginia

At Rules held in the Clerk's office of the  
Circuit Court of the County on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
July 1881.

James R. 722

Plff

against

In Chancery

John Edmund et al vs

The object of this suit is to sell the  
lands in the bill mentioned, being the lands  
formerly owned by David Minton decd,  
and divide the proceeds thereof among  
those entitled thereto. And it appearing from  
an affidavit filed in the case that John,  
Edmund, David Edmund his wife, Elijah  
Leland, & Mrs. Leland, Mr. Hatfield, testator  
Hatfield his wife and Mary Minton are  
now residents of the State of Virginia.

It is ordered that they appear here  
within one month after due publication  
of this order, and do what is necessary  
to protect their interest in this suit.

At Teste J. H. Heath Clerk  
J. H. Heath Secy



Lee County Court.  
I certify that

James P. Lee  
Jafford, Ark.  
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Wm. Chandler - Secy



# The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To The Sheriff of Lee County, Greeting:

We command you to summon

*John Chadwell & Sarah Chadwell,  
his wife, Eliad Liford & Sarah Liford, his wife, G. H.  
Helfield, Catharine Helfield his wife, Nancy Kington  
and Adam R. Yeary*

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in *July*  
next, being rule, to answer a bill in *Chancery*, exhibited in our said Court against *them* by

*James R. Lee*

And have then there this writ. Witness JAMES W. Orr, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this *7th*  
day of *June* 188 /, in the 105<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*James W. Orr* Clerk.



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James R Lee  
Esq in Chy  
John C. Edwards Esq  
July Rules 1881.

Executed by delivering  
a copy of the within to  
Adam to carry  
the within not found  
being not  
Residence of S. S. Lee Esq.



# The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To The Sheriff of Lee County, Greeting:

We command you to summon

John Chadwell & Sarah Chadwell  
his wife, Elias Liford & Ann Liford his wife,  
Es. W. Hatfield, Catharine Hatfield his wife, Nancy  
Minton and Adam C. Yeary

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in July  
next, being rule, to answer a bill in Chancery, exhibited in our said Court against them by

James R Lee

And have then there this writ. Witness JAMES W. Orr, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this 7th  
day of June 188 /, in the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

Copy James W. Orr. Clerk.  
Teste James W. Orr. Clerk.



# The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To The Sheriff of Lee County, Greeting:

We command you to summon

*John Chadwell & Sarah Chadwell*  
*his wife, Eliza L. Chadwell & Anne L. Chadwell his wife (by W.*  
*Hatfield, Nathaniel Hatfield his wife Nancy*  
*Hinton and John C. Geary*

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in  
next, being rule, to answer a bill, in <sup>lay</sup> Chancery, exhibited in our said Court against

*James R Lee*

And have then there this writ. Witness JAMES W. Orr, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this  
day of *June* 1881, in the 105<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*A Copy  
Lester*

*James W Orr* Clerk.  
*James W Orr Clerk.*



# The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To The Sheriff of Lee County, Greeting:

We command you to summon

*John Whitmell & Sarah Whitmell his wife*  
*Elias Lefort & Anne Lefort his wife*  
*W. Hatfield, Catharine Hatfield his wife, Harry*  
*Winters and Adam C. Yeary*

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in *July* next, being rule, to answer a bill in Chancery, exhibited in our said Court against *James* by

*James R. Lee*

And have then there this writ. Witness JAMES W. Orr, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this *7th* day of *June* 188/, in the 105<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*Attest*  
*James W. Orr* Clerk.  
*James W. Orr* Clerk.



# The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To The Sheriff of Lee County, Greeting:

We command you to summon

*John Chadwell & Sarah Chadwell his  
wife, Elias Loford & Anne Loford his wife, W.  
Hatfield, Catharine Hatfield his wife, Nancy Minton  
and Susan Cary*

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in  
next, being rule, to answer a bill in Chancery, exhibited in our said Court against

by

*James R. Se*

And have then there this writ. Witness JAMES W. Orr, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this  
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*Attest, James W. Orr, Clerk.  
Leto-James W. Orr, Clerk.*



# The Commonwealth of Virginia.

We command you to summon

To The Sheriff of Lee County, Greeting:

John Chadwell & Sarah Chadwell  
his wife, Elias Liford & Ann Liford his wife, William  
Welfield, Catharine Welfield, his wife, Nancy Thinton  
and Adam Gentry

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in July  
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James W. Lee

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James W. Orr Clerk.  
James W. Orr Clerk.



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*Hatfield, Catharine Hatfield his wife, Nancy Hinton*  
*and Adam C Yeary*

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in *July*  
next, being *day* to answer a bill in Chancery, exhibited in our said Court against *them* by

*James R Lee*

And have then there this writ. Witness JAMES W. Orr, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this *7th*  
day of *June* 188/, in the 105<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*Copy.*  
*Teste - James W Orr. Clerk.*



# The Commonwealth of Virginia.

We command you to summon

To The Sheriff of Lee County, Greeting:

*John Chadwell + Sarah Chadwell*  
*his wife, Elias Liford + Ann Liford his wife, W. Hatfield, Catharine Hatfield his wife, Nancy Hinton and Adam C. Yeary*

To appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Lee county, at the Court House, on the first Monday in *July* next, being rule, to answer a bill in *Chancery*, exhibited in our said Court against *Thomas* by

*James R Lee*

And have then there this writ. Witness JAMES W. Orr, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this day of *June* 188 / , in the 105<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*Attest:*

*James W Orr. Clerk.*  
*James W Orr. Clerk.*



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GIVEN TO THE COL-

LECTION OF CLAIMS.

Jonesville, Lee County, Va.,

July 22<sup>nd</sup> 1881.

I hereby certify that the Order of Publication  
of which the attached is a copy has been  
published four successive weeks in the  
Lee County Sentinel, a weekly newspaper  
published at Jonesville, Va.

Wm. A. Orr,  
Editor.

VIRGINIA:—At rules held in the Clerk's  
office of the Circuit Court of Lee county on  
the 4th July, 1881.

JAMES R. LEE,  
VS

Plff } In  
VS } Chancery.

JOHN CHADWELL et als Def'ts }

The object of this suit is to set the lands in  
the bill mentioned being the lands formerly  
owned by David Martin dec'd. and divide the  
proceeds thereof among those entitled thereto.  
And it appearing from an affidavit filed in the  
case that John Chadwell, Sarah Chadwell his  
wife; Nancy Minton, Elijah Litord, Ann Lit-  
ord, G. W. Hatfield, Catherine Hatfield, his  
wife, are nonresidents of the State of Virginia.  
It is ordered that they appear here within one  
month after due publication of this order and  
do what is necessary to protect their interest  
in this suit. A copy: Teste.

(jul 84w85) J. A. G. IV TT Clerk



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